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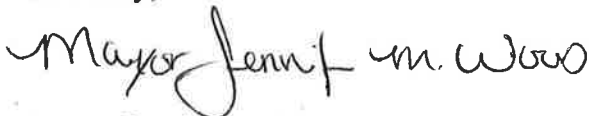
Dear Inspector General,

Please consider this letter an appeal to the closing of our Peterson Post Office. The Post Office is a vital component of our small town and serves our businesses and our citizens. We have over 25 businesses in our town that rely on your services. Our post office also serves the City of Rushford Village, a city that completely surrounds Peterson and does not have a post office. The Post Office is vital to our efforts to attract businesses to our town and also serves our large tourist population during the summer.

We feel that closing our post office reduces our access to Postal Services and won't save the USPS money in the long run. In addition, we have a large population of senior citizens that would then have to drive over 10 miles in order to visit the post office, which is unwise especially during the winter months. Please reconsider closing our post office and find alternative ways to reduce the United States Postal Services budget.

Thank you for your reconsideration.

Sincerely,



Mayor Jennifer M. Wood